

Comments for Planning Application TP/ED/26/0104

Application Summary

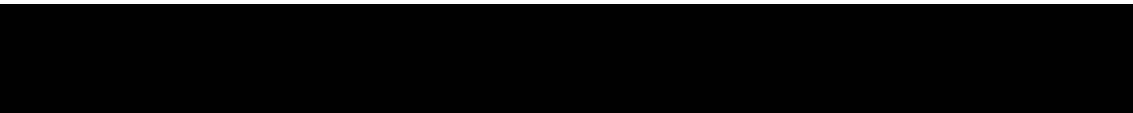
Application Number: TP/ED/26/0104

Address: Whitegates Park Middlemuir Road Lenzie East Dunbartonshire

Proposal: Erection of a secondary school including road access, landscaping, car parking, sports pitches, recreational areas and associated development.

Case Officer: Fraser McNair

Customer Details



Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: Objecting as a previous pupil, a mother of a previous pupil and a child that is still to attend Lenzie Academy.

Dangerous lack of no traffic management consideration of the impact of an entrance at the base of Middlemuir Avenue. There is multiple entrances for cars to this area - Woodside Ave, Moncrieff Ave, Lomond Avenue, Middlemuir Avenue, Hazel Avenue and Laurel Avenue which will lead to completely grid lock the area and make residents life miserable and place peoples safety at risk. Woodside Avenue in particular regularly has young children play throughout the day which is unusual in this age, this will stop this ability. These roads are all narrow, high level of driveways, cars park on the road and 90 degree turns, individuals park on these roads for the train station and church events. Douglas Avenue and Lomond Road are already "rat runs" for locals to avoid the lights at the shops, up to 10 cars can park on Lomond Road and regular road rage has been observed. How on earth was 110 spaces on Middlemuir Avenue worked out? There is hardly room for 20 with all the driveways and it is narrow.

Dangerous lack of no traffic management to the estate at Woodhead park/leisure centre that will further grid lock the poor road layouts

Initiative road places pupils at significant risk as a busy bypass road, the allure of Aldi and whatever else is build beside this shop will lead to kids crossing this road unsafely. It continues to amaze me daily when driving near the current school that the children just walk out in front of cars with no regard for themselves or others. No matter the traffic management put in place kids will look for the easiest options.

Entrance on initiative road just down from the roundabout will lead to gridlock of the road, why would the entrance not be off the roundabout? Initiative road is an important traffic artery for the east side of east Dunbartonshire, the school causing grid lock at peak times will push traffic back through Lenzie like before the bypass was put in place. It also runs the risk of impacting future

businesses moving to that area.

Flooding, reports state that this is not an issue. Several houses beside the park were flood several years ago, there is regular flooding in several areas in the park.

The land has been deemed not viable for a smaller school let alone the monstrous building proposed, building on contaminated land and deep peat is unacceptable and excess in cost, and digging in the area will place resident's health at risk let alone the potential long term risk to students and teachers.

The design of the school is excess in height and not in keeping with the local area.

Proposed school is on the edge of the catchment which will increase the likelihood of kids being dropped off by car. Away from bus stops, the current school have good infrastructure of different bus routes on both sides of the school. The statements of distance from the current school to the proposed site is further away than stated.

Moving the school will place several businesses at risk of closure who rely on the school pupil footfall.

Loss of a well loved park full of nature that supports the health and wellbeing of locals and is an active travel corridor for commuters who walk and cycle like myself.

The build proposed questions who are the corruption officials in east Dunbartonshire with clear misappropriation of public money to fund an excess build cost. The school should be built on the current land just like Kirkintilloch High and Lenzie Meadow, or extensive refurbishment. It should be built to catchment size.